

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4-6, 9, 13 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kotchick et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,642,977) in view of Boehme et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,512,670). Claims 3, 8, 10-12, 15, 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Boehme and Kotchick and further in view of Etoh (U.S. Patent No. 5,792,289). Claims 7, 14 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Boehme, Kotchick and further in view of Malloy Desormeaux (U.S. Patent No. 6,577,821).

In reference to claim 8, the Examiner acknowledges that Boehme and Kotchick do not teach a power supply and memory to maintain an image on the display when detached from the electronic device. The Examiner then states that Etoh discloses power supply 10 and display for providing the power of the display 1B and memory 111 of the display 1B in Fig. 1 and 3, and that it would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention was made to provide the power supply and memory of Etoh in the device of Boehme and Kotchick for providing a display removably mounted on a body of a the image pick up device for reproducing a video output from the image pick-up device (col. 1, lines 60-65). These rejections are respectfully traversed with respect to the amended claims.

The rejection to claims 1, 2, 4-6, 9, 13 and 17 over Kotchick et al in view of Boehme et al is overcome by the cancellation of claim 17, and amendments to claims 1 and 2 to incorporate the features dependent claim 8 (and according cancellation of claim 8). As discussed at page 4, lines 12-20, such feature provides a particular advantage, which is not taught or suggested by the prior art. Claims 4, 5, 14, 15 and 16 have also been amended consistent with the amendment to claims 1 and 2.

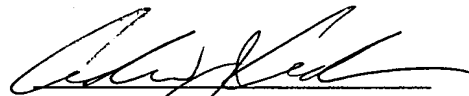
Contrary to the examiner's assertions, Etoh fails to disclose any power supply in the display 1B thereof. In fact, there is no power supply 10 referenced anywhere in Etoh. Etoh does teach a power supply (batteries) 1D, but teaches that such power supply is provided in the image pick-up device 1A. Display 1B is only provided with a switch 104 for turning on/off power provided by power supply 1D in device 1A. Thus, unlike applicant's claimed invention, when the display 1B of Etoh is disconnected from the device 1A, it does not retain power for retaining an image on the display. Reconsideration of any rejection

based on Etoh is accordingly respectfully requested with respect to amended claims 1 and 2. The additional dependent claims are believed patentable for at least the same reasons.

With respect to the further proposed combination of Malloy Desormeaux with Boehme and Kotchick, it is noted that while Malloy Desormeaux Fig. 50 depicts the use of docking interfaces and rechargeable batteries in the camera 10, there is no corresponding teaching or suggestion to employ a separate rechargeable batteries in the image display unit 26. The present invention is accordingly not taught or suggested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration of this patent application is respectfully requested. A prompt and favorable action by the Examiner is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner believe any remaining issues may be resolved via a telephone interview, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' representative at the number below to discuss such issues.

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